

at least one printer communicatively coupled to said computer terminal, said at least one printer having a printer user interface with a data input device and a data display device; and

a host computer communicatively coupled to said at least one printer and said computer terminal and configured to receive said print request message, said host computer having

a memory in which said image data is stored, and

a host computer processor configured to produce a job number associated with said print request message and send said job number to said computer terminal, wherein

said computer terminal being configured to display on said display an indication of said job number provided by said host computer,

said host processor being configured to recognize when said job number is input to a particular printer [any one] of said at least one printer via said printer user interface to associate said particular printer with said print request message, and provide said image data to said [any one of said at least one] particular printer for printing.

2. (Twice Amended) A network print system comprising:

a computer terminal having,

a processor,

a computer user interface configured to receive a password entered by a user, and

a computer display, said processor being configured to produce a print request message containing image data and said password, said print request message not uniquely identifying a device for printing said image data;

at least one printer communicatively coupled to said computer terminal, said at least one printer having a printer user interface with a data input device and a data display device; and

a host computer communicatively coupled to said at least one printer and said computer terminal, and configured to receive said print request message, said host computer having

a memory in which said image data and said password are stored, and

a host computer processor configured to produce a job number associated with said print request message, store said job number in said memory in association with said image data and password, and send said job number to said computer terminal, wherein

said computer terminal being configured to display on said display an indication of said job number provided by said host computer, and

said host processor being configured to recognize when said job number and password are input to a particular printer [any one] of said at least one printer via said printer user interface to associate said particular printer with said print request message and provide said image data to said [any one of said at least one] particular printer for printing.

3. (Twice Amended) A network print system comprising:

a computer terminal having,

a processor,

a computer user interface, and

a computer display, said processor being configured to produce a print request message containing image data, said print request message not uniquely identifying a device for printing said image data;

at least one printer coupled to said computer terminal, said at least one printer having

a printer user interface with a data input device and a data display device, and

a printer memory configured to hold a user password,

a host computer coupled to said at least one printer and said computer terminal, and configured to receive said print request message, said host computer having

a host computer memory in which said image data is stored, and

a host computer processor configured to produce a job number associated with said print request message, store said job number in said host computer memory in association with said image data, and send said job number to said computer terminal, wherein

said computer terminal being configured to display on said display an indication of said job number provided by said host computer,

at least one of said host computer and said at least one printer being configured to determine if an input data input through said printer user interface of a particular printer [any one] of said at least one printer matches said job number to associate said particular printer with said print request message, and if so providing said image data to said [any one of said at least one] particular printer,

said at least one printer being configured to determine whether a password input via said printer user interface matches said password stored in said printer memory and if so printing a document corresponding to said image data.

4. (Twice Amended) A secure method for printing a document in a network print system, comprising the steps of:

receiving an image data at a first network terminal;

producing a print request message at said first network terminal and sending said print request message and said image data to a second network terminal said print request message not uniquely identifying a device for printing said image data;

storing in memory said image data and an associated job number at said second network terminal;

sending a reply message to said first network terminal from said second network terminal, said reply message including said associated job number;

displaying said associated job number at said first network terminal;

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receiving a local print request message at said second network terminal from a particular printer [any one] of at least one printer associating said particular printer with said print request message, said local request message having an input job number; and

comparing said input job number with said associated job number and printing from said [any one of at least one] particular printer a document corresponding to said image data if said input job number matches said associated job number.

8. (Twice Amended) A secure network print system, comprising:

means for receiving an image data at a first network terminal;

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means for producing a print request message not uniquely identifying a device for printing said image data at said first network terminal and for sending said print request message and said image data to a second network terminal;

means for storing in memory said image data and an associated job number at said second network terminal;

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means for sending a reply message to said first network terminal from said second network terminal, said reply message including said associated job number;

means for displaying said associated job number at said first network terminal;

means for inputting a local print request message at a printer to associate said printer with said print request message, said local request message having an input job number;

means for sending said local print request message to said second network terminal; and

means for comparing said input job number with said associated job number and printing from said printer a document corresponding to said image data if said input job number matches said associated job number.--